

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s):	Barbara A. Gilchrest, et al.	Docket No:	06225.0004.PCUS00
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Filing Date:	July 24, 2006	Title:	MODULATION OF TELOMERE-INITIATED CELL SIGNALING

**RESPONSE ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Dear Sir:

Applicants request continued examination of the above-identified patent application. An Advisory Office Action was mailed on September 10, 2001 for the above-identified patent application which stated that Applicants' response to the Final Office Action and claim amendments would require further consideration and/or new search and therefore, these amendments will not be entered. Applicants resubmit the claim amendments and accompanying arguments with this request for continued examination. Applicants respectfully request that the enclosed claim amendments be entered and the accompanying arguments be considered. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the requisite RCE fee as well as any other fee that may be deemed necessary and proper for further prosecution of the above-identified patent application to Howrey LLP Deposit Account No. 08-3038, referencing the above-identified attorney docket number. Amendments to the claims begin at page 2, Patentability Arguments begin at page 3 and conclusion is at page 7.